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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 2,000,000 Dollars.

## COUNT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. A. MULVER, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. Hon. W. K. SWIRE.

## CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

## MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

## HONGKONG.

## INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " " "  
" 12 " 5 " " "

## LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

## ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

## RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.  
" 6 " " 4% " "  
" 12 " " 5% " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

## CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

## Banks.

## THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

## THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH IN HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

## RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits:  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 " " "  
" 12 " 5 " " "

## For Sale.

## FOR SALE.

FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna. Brazil and Barcelona NUTS. LETT'S DIARIES for 1879. Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE CASES.

CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS. American PARLOUR and COOKING STOVES.

COAL SCUTTLES, new designs. FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. COCOA MATTING.

TAPESTRY CARPET. DOOR MATS.

California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS. WHITNEY BLANKETS.

REP and other TABLE COVERS, Fancy Patterns.

TABLE LINEN. Fine TURKISH TOWELS.

LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW LINEN.

GREEN and MARONE REP.

FLANNEL SHIRTINGS.

FANCY FLANNEL for Gents' Suits.

NAVY BLUE SERGE.

CLOTH TROWER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.

ALBUMS, in great variety.

CRUMB-BRUSHES and TRAYS.

CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES.

VEYRON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES.

COFFEE ROASTERS, TREMBLING CALL BELLS.

IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.

DESSERT, DINNER and BREAKFAST SERVICES.

TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.

FOLDING CHAIRS.

CIGARS, CIGARETTES.

KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOES.

HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.

CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS.

CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.

CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

## Auctions.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

## TUESDAY,

the 11th February, 1879, at 2 p.m., at the Residence of Messrs W. PUSTAU & Co., Praya,—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD and OFFICE FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—  
Green Rep covered Drawing-room Suite.

Blackwood Carved Sofas, Blackwood Carved Marble-top Centre Tables, Side Tables, and Tea Poya. Gasoliers, Gas Brackets, Engravings, Mirrors, Clocks, Carpets, and Hearthrugs.

Extension Dining Table, Sideboard, Whatnots, Dinner, Dessert, and Breakfast Sets, Glass-ware and Plated-ware.

Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Couches, Chairs, Davenport, Glass Book-cases and Books.

Office Desks, Shelves, Pigeon Holes, Paper Presses, Book Stands, Copying Press, Cup-boards, &c.

1 PIANO, by B. HARTZ.

1 Patent Fireproof IRON SAFE, &c., complete.

1 6-Oared BOAT, with Oars, Awning, &c., complete.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 10th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fcll

## Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the RATE of 3% or \$2.25 per SHARE, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be Payable at the Hongkong & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY Next, the 31st Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879.

## For Sale.

## EX LATE ARRIVALS.

WOOLLEN SOCKS, DRAWERS and UNDERSHIRTS. LETT'S DIARIES. LETT'S DIARIES. RIDING WHIPS, BRIDLES and PONY HARNESS. RUG STRAPS, YORK HAMS, CHIT BOOKS. HORSE CLIPPERS, FILTERS, SILBER LAMPS. French and English BOOTS and SHOES. The New Patent LIFE VESTS. PONY HARNESS, CHUBB'S FIREPROOF SAFES. SALAMANDERS for Heating Baths.

WORKS OF REFERENCE, California APPLES. HAIR BRUSHES, BILLIARD CLOTHS. COPYING PRESSES, CHERRY'S HATS. SCARFS, COLLARS, KID GLOVES. FOOD WARMERS, CIGARETTES. CRICKET BATS, BALLS, GLOVES, &c. PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS. BATH TOWELS, PAINT BOXES. DAMASK for Table Cloths, STATIONERY.

PATENT WATER CLOSETS, POCKET BOOKS. DOG COLLARS and CHAINS, TENNIS BALLS. CHILDREN'S BOOKS, VALISES. Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING BAGS, Fitted. AIR CUSHIONS, BILLIARD BALLS. SHORT SNIDERS with SWORD BAYONETS. BASS' ALE.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, Bottled by FOSTER. Bass in Bbls., SACCOONE'S SHERRIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, January 9, 1879.

## Intimations.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Tenth ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at HALF-PAST Two o'clock in the Afternoon of MONDAY, the 24th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1878. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fcl24

## NOTICE.

MRS. J. F. ROSE begs to intimate to the Ladies of HONGKONG, CANTON and the Coast Ports that on the 1st MARCH she will OPEN a DRAPERY and DRESS-MAKING Business in the Premises lately occupied by Messrs. ROSE & Co., next door to the Hongkong Hotel, Queen's Road.

All communications to be addressed to Mrs. J. F. ROSE, as the Business will be conducted on her sole account.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above-named Company, will be Held at the Company's Office, No. 39, Queen's Road, in the city of Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 10th day of March next, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of passing certain Special Resolutions providing for the following alterations in the Constitution and Articles of Association of the Company; viz:—

1.—That the Business of the Company be in future managed by a Board of Directors and a Secretary instead of the former and General Agents as heretofore.

2.—That if in the opinion of the Directors the Business of the Company in any year be such as not to Warrant the Payment of Interest at \$12 per cent. per annum on the Paid-up Capital, they may during such year reduce such Rate to such lower amount as they may consider desirable for the Interests of the Company.

3.—To enable the Directors if a necessity shall arise to pay such Interest or any part thereof out of the Reserve Fund.

4.—To provide that when there shall be profits applicable for dividend the same shall be divisible as the Shareholders in Meeting shall determine.

5.—That Fourteen Days instead of Thirty Days notice may be given of all Meetings of the Company.

6.—That Clause 147 of the Articles of the Company be expunged, leaving future changes in the Regulations of the Company to be made as provided for by Ordinance No. 1 of 1865.

NOTICE is hereby also given, that a Second EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company, will be Held at the same Hour and Place on MONDAY, the 24th day of March next, for the purpose of Confirming such Special Resolutions as may be passed at the First mentioned Meeting.

Dated this Third day of February, 1879.

By Order,

J. BRADLEY SMITH, General Agent.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be Held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of February next, at THREE o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fcl5

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 3rd, to SATURDAY, the 15th February next (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fcl5

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Tenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th February next, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1878, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fcl26

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 20th day of February next, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 30, 1879. fcl26

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be Held at the Office of the General Agents, on THURSDAY, the 20th Instant, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fcl20

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 20th Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fcl20

## Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held in the Office of the Company, Club Chambers, on MONDAY, 24th February, 1879, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878; and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fcl24

## TAKASHIMA COAL.

THE Undersigned are prepared to Deliver the above COAL, ex Godown, in quantities to suit Purchasers.

LINSTEAD & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY will perform

ON THURSDAY EVENING,

February 13th, 1879.

THE ENTIRELY ORIGINAL NAUTICAL COMIC OPERA,

In Three Acts,

By W. S. GILBERT and ARTHUR SULLIVAN,

Entitled:

H. M. S. "PINAFORE,"

OR

THE LASS THAT LOVED A SAILOR.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., First Lord of the Admiralty,.....

Captain Corcoran, Commanding H. M. S. "Pinafore,".....

Ralph Rackett, Able Seaman,.....

Dick Deadeye, Able Seaman,.....

Bill Bobstay, Boatswain,.....

Tom Tucker, Midship-mite,.....

Sergeant of Marines,.....

Josephine, the Captain's Daughter,.....

Hebe, Sir Joseph's First Cousin,.....

Little Buttercup, a Bum-boat Woman,.....

First Lord's Sisters, his Cousins, his Aunts, Sailors, Marines, &c., by

MEMBERS OF THE H. K. CHORAL SOCIETY.

Conductor,.....Mr C. F. A. SANGSTER.

Accompanist,.....Mr F. PANIZZA.

By kind permission of Colonel JAGO, and Officers of the 74th Regiment, the Band will Perform selections during each interval in the Entertainment.

Doors Open at 8.30 p.m. Performance to Commence at 9.

TICKETS may be secured and Seats reserved at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

G. B. EMORY, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fcl4

## Shipping.

## Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"

Capt. M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 9th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. fcl9

FOR LONDON VIA THE SUEZ CANAL (Calling at Singapore and Colombo.)

The Steamship "GLENGYLE,"

Capt. QUARTY, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 14th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fcl4

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The Steamship "RADNORSHIRE,"

shortly due from Singapore, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, February 3, 1879.

## Shipping.

## Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE



## Intimations.

## HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE above SOCIETY'S ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF FLOWERS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, &c., will be held on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 12th and 13th of February, 1879.

W. M. B. ARTHUR,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 23, 1879. fe13

## NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the JURY LIST for 1879, is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection. Notice of any inaccuracies, Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given to the Registrar, on or before SATURDAY, the 15th day of February, A.D. 1879, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864.

It is further notified that no person whose name is on the List as a Juror, will be excused from service on the ground of any exemption to which he may be entitled, or on the ground of any want of qualification, unless such exemption shall have been claimed and established, or such want of qualification duly proved, at or before the time above specified.

C. B. PLUNKET,  
Registrar.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. fe12

## HONGKONG WHARF &amp; GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,  
Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 20, 1878. my20

## PLEASE NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHÜREN begs to advertise that he will leave this Colony for EUROPE on or about the 8th of March next, and that therefore no Photos. can be taken by him after the 28th of February.

Hongkong, January 13, 1879. fe13

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned and is Now Ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

## MOORE &amp; Co.,

"VARIETY STORE,"  
NEWS AGENTS and TOBACCONISTS.  
No. 42, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

## LOST.

ABOUT the 27th or 28th Dec., an English White Poodle DOG, Female, Answered to the name of "BEAUTY." A Liberal Reward will be given for its return to 3rd door above Gage Street, on Peel Street, Miss Gordon.

Hongkong, January 21, 1879.

## NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the Medical Hall.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

## F. HUTCHINGS

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Shop—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

## For Sale.

## NOW READY.

MAP & CHART OF COREA, BY N. McLEOD, CONTAINING EXTRACTS from ANCIENT HISTORY, including latest Statistics.  
BATTLE OF GOG & MAGOG.  
COMING DOWNFALL OF RUSSIA, AND JAPAN'S BEST POLITICAL ECONOMY.

Price.....One Dollar.

To be had at the Principal Booksellers in India, China, and Japan.

## ALSO

ORDERS TAKEN FOR ILLUSTRATED WORK AND TEXT BOOK ON COREA, (Nearly Ready), Price \$2.  
MAP AND CHART OF JAPAN, Price \$1.

JAPAN AND THE LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL, Price \$2.

ILLUSTRATIONS TO LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL, Price \$2.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,  
Hongkong, February 4, 1879. fe11

SAM HING STULTZ,  
HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "CYPRINES,"

## AND

HAS FOR SALE—NEW PATTERNS in CARPETS, WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds, TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS, HATS in every style, DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

88 and 90, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. fe13

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

## NOTICE.

I HAVE admitted Captain EDWARD BURNIE to an Interest in my Business of MARINE SURVEYOR.

R. H. CAIRNS,  
Club Chambers,  
Hongkong, February 6, 1879. mal

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as a COMMISSION MERCHANT, &c., at No. 2, Queen's Road, under the Style of "J. G. SMITH & Co."

J. GRANT SMITH,  
Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

## NOTICE.

MR. EZEKIEL ABRAHAM SOLOMON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm at this Port and in China, from 1st January, 1879.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fe24

## NOTICE.

MR. ROBERT BERNHARD has This Day CEASED to be a Partner in our Business.

HEINEMANN & Co.,  
Ship Brokers,  
Hongkong, January 17, 1879. fe17

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as GENERAL MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT at this Port. During my temporary absence from China, my Business will be CONDUCTED by Mr. EDWARD DAVIS, who is also authorized to Sign my name per Procura-tion.

F. R. TALBOT,  
Canton, February 5, 1879. fe13

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN,  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,  
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail,  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## To Let.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable for OFFICES and DWELLING, also for a STORE, Queen's Road Central. Possession 1st March next.

Apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

## TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East—

FIRST FLOOR, No. 2, with possession 1st February.

HOUSE No. 4, Praya-East, either the whole House or in Flats, with possession on the 1st April next.

As also,  
A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier, with part of its spacious Verandah. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,  
A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

## TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to  
TURNER & Co.  
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

## TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GODOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60, Praya Central.

Apply to  
WO HANG,  
Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West,  
Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

## Notices to Consignees.

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Moray having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Hongkong, February 5, 1879. fe12

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAM-SHIP THINGVALLA, FROM YOKOHAMA, HIOGO AND NAGASAKI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co.,  
Hongkong, February 1, 1879. fe8

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN,  
deleg. Agent.

Ex "Yangtze."

A H H J (in cross) M I O (underneath)

No. 4041, Messrs Aldridge Salaman & Co., 1 case Alpaca, from London.

H B (in diamond) No. 213/15, Messrs Rose & Co., 3 cases Honesty, &c., from London.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

FONTEAINE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gonyou.—Landstein & Co.

PRINCE ARTHUR, British barque, Capt. R. Wills.—Chinese.

PAQUET, German steamer, Capt. Herishheim.—Siemssen & Co.

PILOREM, American ship, Capt. Fowler.—Russell & Co.

ALFREDO, Italian barque, Captain S. Pittaluga.—Borneo Co., Limited.

HAKON ADELSTEIN, Norwegian steamer, Captain O. O. Berge.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

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## SHIPPING REPORTS.

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The British steamer Penang reports: Fresh monsoon all the passage with head sea and fine weather.

The German barque Formosa reports: First part of passage heavy gale, afterwards light N.E. monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamer Taiwan reports: From Tamsui to Taiwanfoo experienced fresh N.E. monsoon and thick hazy weather. Taiwanfoo to Amoy strong N.E. winds and high sea, Amoy to Swatow moderate winds and cloudy, and Swatow to Hongkong moderate N.E. winds and fine weather.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—Per Kilarney, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 8th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Per Lorne, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th inst., instead of as previously notified.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet Tigre will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet Malwa will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 15th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet City of Peking will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, January 28, 1879. fe23

## HOURS OF CLOSING

## THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by both the British and French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.—

5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post Office closes except the News Box, which remains open all night.

Day of departure.—

7 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until—

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office closes entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Meeting.

8 p.m.—Meeting of United Service Lodge.

## General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, February 9:—

Daylight.—Douglas leaves for Coast Ports.

MONDAY, February 10:—

Transfer Books of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, closed from this date to 24th instant, inclusive.

TUESDAY, February 11:—

2 p.m.—Sale of Household and Office Furniture, &c., at Pusan & Co.'s residence, Praya.

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to this reasonable request for "correspondence," the Governor remarked, with that suave manner the temporary fascination of which is proverbial, that "the returns asked for by Mr. Lowcock he would have much pleasure in supplying without a motion." It was apparently in the minds of the unofficial members—Messrs Lowcock and Keswick—that the production of the correspondence asked for would clear up many misunderstandings and doubts that had arisen or rather that had been raised on the subject of deportation. When the motion had been duly proposed and seconded, His Excellency is reported to have said:—

When my hon. friend gave notice of his motion at the last meeting I had the satisfaction of telling him that on behalf of the Government I at once consented to the motion. I think it is very desirable these papers should be laid before the Council, and when the notice was given I requested my friend the Colonial Secretary to put together all these papers, and they are now being prepared for printing. When printed they will be laid before you. I have thought it well, at the same time, to add a little more than the papers called for. I understand my hon. friend's motion would begin with April, 1877, which was the date of my arrival. Well, it so happens that going back a few months before my arrival, taking the year 1876, some light is thrown on the way in which the Deportation Ordinance was worked in the colony. In illustration I may mention a case in which on one day in 1876 there came before the Executive Council, under the presidency of Sir Arthur Kennedy, recommendations for the deportation of five offenders. The recommendations were duly considered by the Executive Council, and in the result three of the persons recommended to be deported, were not deported, and only two out of the five were deported. I think it would be well for the Council to know the reasons which influenced my predecessor in not carrying out the recommendations of the Magistrates in those cases. There are also a few earlier papers still which throw some light upon it.

From the above remarks it would be fair to assume that Mr. Hennessy placed himself on the defensive, and in point of fact the latter part of his speech on that occasion was nothing if not a defence of his policy as regards the important subject of deportation. It will be seen, however, that His Excellency not only hastened to facilitate the views of the unofficial members, but actually volunteered to give more information than was asked for. Of course there is a bare possibility that, seeing a storm brewing on the question under discussion, he thought he might as well be in the good company of his predecessor, and furnish returns which might expose some of the questionable official line of a former régime, as well as some of his own. Be this as it may, the production of the correspondence was promised; and there the matter rests for the present, as so many matters do, have done, and will continue to do, especially under the present administration.

As the Governor intimated that a portion of the correspondence thus sought after would be produced before the Police Committee, and as the labours of this body must have been long ago completed, it is possible that the delay may have arisen from the almost insuperable difficulties which an extra crop of Commissioners presented to the hard-working and energetic Government Printer. As this latter gentleman deserves the greatest credit for the manner in which he has battled against the misfortune of the Great Fire, there is ample justification for any delay which may be attributed to this source; but it would have been satisfactory to the public and their representatives on the Council had some explanation been given touching this important subject. If we have not misinterpreted the position assumed by His Excellency when the Police Committee was nominated, that inquiry must naturally have been narrowed to matters of a more strictly departmental nature; and the result of their labours, however valuable they may be as bearing upon the policing of the town and suburbs at night, is not likely to throw much light on the doubts and misunderstandings that have arisen on the subject of deportation. It may be doubted whether these misunderstandings and doubts will ever be thoroughly cleared up, as it is acknowledged that Mr. Hennessy has a remarkable reputation for "proving his case" in the face of the greatest difficulties. Messrs Lowcock and Keswick will do well, therefore—being, as they are, with the exception of the newspaper press, the only opposition with which the Governor has to deal—to stick to their text, and when they ask for correspondence, "see that they get it."

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

(Supplied to the "CHINA MAIL.")  
(Per E. E. & Co. Telegraph Co's. Line.)

LONDON, 5th February, 1879.  
A new French Ministry has been formed as follows:  
Waddington (President), Lepere Leon Say, Martene, Leroyer, Jauriquiberg, Freycinet, Mercier Despres, Ferry.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The M. M. steamer *Ada*, with the French mails, arrived in the Harbour as we go to press.

We are informed by the Superintendent that the P. & O. S. S. *Geelong*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for Hongkong at 3 p.m. on Monday, the 2nd inst.

The Royal Tycoon Japanese Troupe arrived from Calcutta in the steamer *Moray* last Wednesday, and intends to give two performances in the City Hall Theatre on Saturday, the 15th, and Monday the 17th inst. This troupe has just returned from a tour through India, and has, it is said, performed before H. E. the Viceroy and most of the native rajahs.

As the S. S. *Yangtze* was leaving the Harbour last evening, about 6 o'clock, she collided with a stone-junk, near Pui-chung-wan. The junk, which was stone-laden, was endeavouring apparently to cross the steamer's bow, and the steamer cut her right down. She sunk almost immediately. Two lads are said to be missing, but the remainder of the crew, 18 in number, were picked up by the steamer and sent in by the pilot boat. The steamer then proceeded.

TELEGRAPHIC communication has been established with Green Island. This was done some months back, owing to an attack having been made on the lightkeepers' quarters by a gang of pirates. The work was no doubt expensive, but considering the isolated condition of the lightkeepers, the expense was warranted. It has often occurred to us that the same thing might be done between this and the opposite peninsula. The population there is increasing rapidly, and there is in consequence a large increase of valuable property. It behoves us therefore to see that every precaution is taken to make life and property secure. Pirates have there no water to cross, no vigilant police in swift steam-launches to evade and no military to fear. Rockets of course might be used to answer the same purpose, or a gun might be fired; but these methods take time and might not be observed or properly understood. In such cases every moment is precious, while the cable not only transmits messages instantaneously, but the exact state of affairs can be flashed across, as it never can be done by the aid of rockets. The only drawback to a sub-marine cable across the bay would be the danger of vessels fouling it with their anchors, but this danger might, we think, be obviated by keeping a clear line buoyed off, within which all vessels would be prohibited from anchoring. Vessels could easily be made acquainted with this prohibition in the day time, and at night the Water Police could warn any stray vessel which might arrive.

It is some time since that we reported the appointment of Ting Futai as a sort of Special Commissioner to inquire into and arrange the Wu-shih-shan affair, and it now appears that the inquiry is about to enter another phase. We learn that the native owners or lessors of the property have resolved upon bringing the matter before H.M.'s Consul at Foochow in his judicial capacity, and to fight it out in an English Court upon its actual and legal merits. Although we have taken no side as yet in the merits of this unfortunate dispute, it must be matter for congratulation that the Chinese Authorities have sanctioned such a step as that proposed, and it is clearly a hopeful sign when such disputes are permitted to be thus dealt with. Still it must be admitted that the owners or lessors of the property on Wu-shih-shan Hill would have been able to assume a much more dignified air in Court had they refrained from "leaving all bricks" and otherwise shown defiance to treaty rights, law and order generally. But, on the other hand, it is certainly indicative of a desire to see fair-play and justice done when the legal rights involved are submitted to a foreign Court. The case will be one of some interest and of no small importance. Mr. T. C. Hayllar, Q.C., has been retained, we understand, by the Chinese owners of the property, and that gentleman leaves this for Foochow in a few days to conduct the case on their behalf. Failing the acceptance of certain propositions by the missionaries, the course above indicated, we hear, will be followed by the learned Council.

Messrs Hughes & Legge's Market Report for the French Mail has the following:—  
CATTLE.—The only business done in Cardiff since date of our last issue, has been a sale of 1,000 tons in godown at \$2.25. Telegraphic advice from London reports nothing on the way for sale, except the *Jacobsin*, and it seems as if any demand must improve rates.

In Australian, beyond the sale of 1,200 tons of Dunderfeld at \$8.00 to consumer, the week has been unproductive of business, and it is difficult to quote exactly. Holders are firm in asking full rates; but dealers keep out of the market for the present, believing that later on prices will again recede to a point to tempt purchases. The cargo of the *Charlton* is being landed.  
Arrivals.—Jan. 31, S.S. *Charlton*, 1,200 tons, New Lambton; Feb. 6, *Deux Freres*, 500 tons, Dunderfeld, for sale.  
Settlements.—*Strathgairn*, 1,200 tons, Dunderfeld, at \$3.00; *Rz Godown*, 1,050 tons, Cardiff, at \$3.25.

Vessels expected.—The undermentioned are the cargoes destined for this port from the United Kingdom and the Colonies: Oct. 16, Sept. 25, *Clinrum*, 2,620 tons; Oct. 16, *Jacobsin*, 604 tons; and *Rosine*, 1,860 tons; Dec. 21, *Large*, 1,000 tons; 22, *J. R. Stanhope*, 500 tons; 25, *Wandering Minstrel*, 500 tons.  
Sailing.—*Wm. Franklin*, 600 tons; P. C. Telford, 2,000 tons; *Craigie Lea*, 800 tons; *Nehemiah Gibson*, 800 tons; B. F. Watson, 1,800 tons; *Penobscot*, 800 tons; *Orange Grove*, 800 tons; and *Carrie Wyman*, 875 tons.  
Cargoes marked thus are Welsh; the others are Australian.

Police Intelligence.

(Before J. J. Francis, Esq.)  
February 7th, 1879.

MONOPOLISING THE STREETS.  
Wong Tak, master of ship No. 163, Wing Lok Street West, was charged with obstructing a public street by packing goods on the sidewalk. He admitted the offence and was fined \$10. The same defendant was fined a further sum of \$15 for having repeated the offence the following day.

LARCENY.

How Akwai, a fortune-teller, was sent to 6 months' hard labour for stealing a silk umbrella, valued at \$2.

The case in which one Wan Aka, a school boy, was charged with stealing a fur coat valued at \$200 came on for hearing again to-day. Inspector Lindsay stated that the owner of the coat had left the Colony, and he was therefore, he feared, unable to proceed with the case. The defendant it appears has frequently given cause for suspecting him.  
His Worship had no alternative but to dismiss the case.

(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)  
ALLEGED STABBING ON BOARD SHIP AT YOKOHAMA.

John Linstrum and Edward Caroe, seamen, were again charged on remand with cutting and wounding one Frederick Barnes, another seaman on board the British barque *Sir Lancelot*, at Yokohama. The prisoners were committed for trial; the 2nd being admitted to bail in two sureties of \$50 each.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$11,000.

Foong Ayow, described as a comprador to Messrs Nursey Kessowjee & Co., was charged with embezzling \$11,000 or thereabouts, the moneys of his employers, with which he was entrusted by virtue of his employment.

Mr Caldwell (from Mr Brereton's office) appeared to prosecute, and Mr Dennis appeared to meet the case on behalf of the defendant.

Mahomed Khetsey, the managing partner, was first called and deposed to the defendant being employed by his firm during the last 5 years as Compradore. Witness was now bankrupt. We have (he said) sometimes paid money to him. It is part of his duty to receive money on behalf of the firm. All moneys pass through his hands; he collects all moneys from all customers of the firm, and he has to account to the firm. If the amount received by him on any occasion is very large, say \$40,000 or \$50,000, it is his duty to report the matter at once, but trifling amounts he merely enters in his books, and accounts for them once or perhaps twice a month. The longest interval between the times of making up accounts with him has been one month. My clerk will know better than I. I used to take the account myself, but during the last three years my clerk has attended to it. The clerk would compare the books and then show them to me. On these periodical adjustments of account, if the balance is large, it is at once sent to the Bank, but if not considerable it would be left in the comprador's hands. I would call \$10,000 an inconsiderable sum. Sometimes this would be left in his hands and sometimes sent to the Bank. It is certainly his duty to produce the balance whenever called upon. The books were sent compared yesterday by my clerk (Abdoolahossain). The clerk reported the result of his examination; and I sent for the defendant and asked him to produce the balance in order that I might send it to the Bank. I said to him "Have got so much balance, bring come, I want to send it perhaps to Court, perhaps to Bank." He appeared quite frightened when I spoke to him and said "no got." When the warrant was issued and he was arrested, he said he would not pay it. I do not sign his cash book when we compare books. He should now have \$11,045 in his hands. It was part of his regular business to pay bills if I ordered him. There were no orders, so far as I know, outstanding as against the balance he should have had in his hands. I cannot say what the defendant's salary was; I think \$30 or \$35; but he made about \$4,000 one way and another. He used to get \$1 and sometimes \$2 whenever a chest of opium was sold. I never saw him receive this, but I know it to be the custom.

By Mr Dennis:—The comprador provides and secures the servants, and has power to dismiss them. He also pays the wages. I don't know how he pays them. Corrected—He pays them by firm. The number of servants are, the comprador, above and four coolies. I have been off and on in the Colony since 1856. I was here when the defendant was engaged. For all cargo sold to Chinese by my firm the comprador was security. Whenever goods are sold to Chinese the sale is entered in my books to the debit of the persons to whom they are sold. The comprador enters the sale also in his book, and when he receives the money he comes to me and tells me, and the amount is marked off, he being debited with the cash. No one has ever failed to pay. At least the prisoner has never complained of any one neglecting to pay; if such is the case we have no knowledge of it. The buyer or seller of goods amongst Chinese pay the comprador's commission. He must have received thousands of dollars by way of commission during the year. I cannot fix the amount. It is for this reason that he stopped in my service. I never before had a settler's account with the comprador at which all the money in his hands has been demanded and paid over. The balance now in his hands has not been accumulating for years. I cannot remember if at any time the firm was indebted to the comprador. I am not aware that any one offered to compromise the matter with the defendant for \$5,000. My firm's petition in bankruptcy was filed on the 15th January inst.

By His Worship:—Defendant never bought goods from me or sold goods to me in his own name.  
Abdoolah Hossain was next called, and stated that he was clerk to the last witness. He kept all the accounts and had been in the firm three years and nine months. The book produced was the firm's cash book and was written by witness. It commenced 28th October, 1876, and terminated on 5th February this year.  
At this stage the inquiry was adjourned for one week, as the witness could not understand Hindustani sufficiently well to follow the Court interpreter, and a subpoena could not be obtained on the spot. The defendant was admitted to bail in \$5,000.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Feb. 7, 1879.

Sir,—In answer to a letter in the *Daily Press* signed "One of the racing boats," I beg to say that it is utterly wrong. As to "The Small Fish" claiming the stakes, it was merely a matter of opinion with a few onlookers as to whether the race should be run over, or only the two winning boats should run against the only boat that rendered assistance, viz., "Marquis of Argyle." There being no committee to decide, it was therefore agreed between a few boats, which being so far to leeward and having no chance to compete with the Sailor's Home boat, or The Small Fish gave up and called it no race—to run again, so that they might have a chance of re-entering another time without paying the entrance fee with hopes of better success. The Small Fish is perfectly willing to run the race over again, and double the stakes, so that the correspondent referred to can have a chance of testing his boat against his antagonist The Small Fish and learning him which is port and star-board.—By inserting these few lines you will greatly oblige.  
Yours &c.,  
THE SMALL FISH.

FOREIGN STEAMERS IN CHINA.

The subjoined extract from the *Shenpao* will, we think, be read with much interest generally:—

Of the many innovations introduced into China by foreigners, none can at present appeal more directly to their faculties than the Foreign steamer. A passenger accustomed to rude native boats, when stepping for the first time on board a well-appointed steamer, cannot but reflect that here he sees evidence of wealth, power, discipline and skill, foreign to his native land; and further thought must suggest the question, Are these strangers, then, really the rude outer people we have been taught to look down upon as beyond the pale of the civilising influence of the Middle Kingdom and Celestial teachings? The same thought must also arise to the native visitor to Shanghai, when he walks along the Bund and compares the mansions of the "Yang-hangs" to his own puny dwellings. But the steamer, inasmuch as it penetrates throughout the land, has doubtless been the greatest lever towards removing the barrier of self superiority assumed—an ignorant prejudice which, although it may still find vent in words, no longer, we think, really exists in mind.

Next to steamers, perhaps no movement can have been more striking than the vehicle inaugurated for the expression of public opinion by newspapers. It is now over six years since the *Shenpao* was started in Shanghai. At first, many officials, from the fact of its articles presuming to discuss questions of administration, affected to despise the organ and refused to subscribe. Gradually, they found their acts argued by men, their equals in culture and intelligence, and in such a way as rendered it at least advisable to read. Next, they thought it would at times be desirable to guide, by attempting to dictate what should be inserted and what suppressed. Lastly, they found that a newspaper, however advantageous to the people, was not only incongruous to themselves by undermining that almost despotic power pertaining to provincial and departmental rule, but actually dangerous in exposing malfeasances, which otherwise would not have come to light. Then followed the determination to exist. *Shenpao* should not be suffered to exist. The officials of Shanghai at the outset, deemed it a matter that could be disposed of locally, and employees. Finding that there were questions of Foreign interest not to run the paper down by an opposition journal. The result is known to our readers. In the meanwhile, more than one High Provincial Official memorialised the Throne to have the *Shenpao* stopped. The answer from Peking to all these did not transpire, but one to the Governor of Chekiang is said to be on record to the effect that the *Shenpao* was a foreign undertaking and could not be closed without reason; moreover, that the person of the *Shenpao* gave satisfaction in Peking.

Here have we proof that the Imperial Government of China has awakened to the fact that there is a means introduced by foreigners, by which an insight into the internal affairs of the nation may be gained otherwise than through the *ex parte* word, and, but too often, *suppression* of statements of its own officials. And, that it does not pass over all accounts in the newspapers, unnoticed, may be instanced by the frequent appearance of memorials from Governors in the *Peking Gazette*, suggesting reforms which had previously advocated in the columns of the *Shenpao*. The most recent proof, however, of the growing power of the Press in China, is contained in the *Peking Gazette* of the 4th of the 11th moon of last year. It is a memorial from Mei, the Governor of Chekiang, in reply to an edict addressed to the Privy Council:—"A certain person memorialises that the troops (around Hangchow) have been committing disturbances, and that acts of robbery are continually arising. Let instructions be given to investigate the circumstances. Respect this."—The edict was sent by the Council to the Governor, and it is evident from the contents of the memorial in reply that the Council had adverted to several cases of robbery and disturbances narrated by the *Shenpao*, asking why these had not been reported; for the Governor states in reply to the throne:—"In reference to cases of robbery around Hangchow, at Tang chih-yuh, Chih-shan fong, and Hal-cham-chi, &c., in the 4th moon, reported by the *Shenpao*, which irritate Chinese and foreign news in the Settlement of Shanghai, your servant humbly reports as follows, &c., &c." Here the name of a newspaper appears for the first time in the *Gazette*; and however small a recognition, a step is thereby marked. It proves to the people that in their papers they are not unheeded. It proclaims that a new tribunal is arising, which the local rulers cannot treat with a contemptuous disdain. Already have the provincial officials of the province, from the Foot down to the Chieh-hing, been dismissed, owing mainly to the persistent way in which the *Shenpao* exposed the atrocious attempt of the Chieh-hing to trump a case of murder against an enemy, and the venal manner in which his iniquity was condoned by his superiors in office. And again, it is but lately that influential Chinese have spontaneously acknowledged formally the great work of the *Shenpao* in reference to the late famine, confessing that had not appeals to people's feelings

been published by it far and wide, and an incentive to subscriptions given by printing in the paper lists of names of donors, the collections would not have reached one-fourth of their present total.

Newspapers have thus, from the standpoint of the Foreign Settlement of Shanghai, established a respected footing in the country; and, if suffered to continue extending their field, should exert an influence for good, secondary to no other movement. But while according to them full value in their possible advocacy of progress and the adoption of European institutions, their greatest sphere of usefulness will be in their check to judicial corruption and official oppression. The Government of Peking has shown itself ready to sanction and make use of the movement, but if desirous that papers should work their full measure of good, we would join on it one policy; i.e., an end to that secrecy of all judicial and official acts throughout the provinces. This is the great obstacle that now bars the advance of the Press. By the law of China, all judicial cases should be conducted in open Court, access being given to the outside public. But this rule is invariably infringed, and proceedings carried on in an inner chamber, or, if in the outer hall, arrangements are so made that listeners cannot approach sufficiently near to hear and note. The reasons for this jealous secrecy in which the officials envelop their proceedings, are manifold; and if the Imperial Government has really the interests of the people at heart, the old law of publicity should be rigidly enforced. With open Courts and with reporters fearless enough to report truly, and conscientious enough to reject bribery; with a Government also ready to work and enquire into cases of injustice; the people of China would then, apart from steamers and science, have cause to look back with thankfulness to the first advent of foreigners to their land.—N. O. D. News.

MERCHANT MARINE.

HOW THE NAVIES OF DIFFERENT NATIONS COMPARE.

(New York Shipping List.)

Statistics of the mercantile navies of the world for the present year are now published; they relate, of course, to sea-going vessels only. British vessels, that is, all sailing under the British flag, whether owned in Great Britain or the colonies, show an addition in number and total tonnage both of sailing vessels and steamers, as compared with 1877; the average size of sailing vessels has decreased from 811 to 804 tons, while that of steamers has increased from 1048 to 1077 tons. The United States comes second, though with a mighty gap between her and Great Britain, which has been increased instead of diminished during the year. American vessels, both sailing and steam, showing a falling off in number and total tonnage from the previous year. The average size of sailing vessels is 343 against 340 tons; that of steamers has fallen from 1244 to 1181 tons. Norway holds third place in sailing vessels, but not in steamers, being very far behind in this class of ships; the average size of her sailing vessels is 381 tons against 327 for sailing vessels in France comes third in steamers. Below we give a table of the vessels of each country as they rank by gross tonnage in 1878:

SAILING VESSELS.		Gross Tonnage.	
		1877.	1878.
British	5,528,930	5,696,018	
United States	2,146,781	2,076,832	
Norwegian	1,362,949	1,374,824	
Italian	1,296,985	963,025	
German	875,844	914,674	
French	666,767	695,938	
Russian	418,073	413,932	
Swedish	402,248	413,779	
Greek	419,478	406,018	
Dutch	366,284	365,367	
Spanish	550,533	329,215	
Austrian	253,780	246,006	
Danish	182,870	178,363	
Portuguese	106,215	100,105	
South American	123,961	90,782	
Central American	18,546	56,981	
Turkish & Egyptian	50,101	53,853	
Asiatic	21,079	19,381	
Belgian	18,063	11,275	
Various	913	6,219	
Total	14,799,130	14,218,072	

STEAMERS.		Gross Tonnage.	
		1877.	1878.
British	3,283,910	3,465,187	
United States	674,038	609,101	
French	319,179	335,216	
German	259,785	253,677	
Spanish	176,340	152,708	
Dutch	112,879	116,149	
Russian	103,040	104,701	
Italian	85,309	84,721	
Austrian	86,545	78,818	
Swedish	87,287	61,621	
Danish	61,621	53,851	
Norwegian	58,649	50,779	
South American	35,461	38,691	
Belgian	29,314	30,270	
Asiatic & Egyptian	30,467	27,639	
Portuguese	22,480	16,678	
Central American	19,162	10,388	
Greek	7,621	7,721	
Tunisian	.....	1,067	
Total	5,507,699	5,696,175	

The total tonnage of the sailing vessels has decreased 581,055 tons, while that of steamers has increased 87,478 tons, which leaves a net decrease during the year in the tonnage of the world's mercantile marines of 493,577 tons, the combined tonnage of steamers and sailing vessels being 19,913,247 in 1878, against 20,306,820 in 1877.

NITRATE OF SODA THE ONLY GENUINE PRESERVATIVE OF FEMALE BEAUTY.

Mr Jamrach, the animal dealer, of St. George's-street East, writes Mr Frank Buckle land in *Land and Water* that he had just received a valuable and interesting mummy from Peru. "The box containing the mummy was in an attic when the lid was suddenly taken off the box I confess for a moment that the sight gave, as they say, a bit of a turn. The body was covered with crystals that shone like mica scales, and gave it a peculiar ghastly appearance. The history of this specimen is as follows:—It was discovered in a nitre mine at Iquique, in Peru, and is supposed to be of very great antiquity. It is the body of a female; the lady must have had very long and beautiful hair, she wore it in plaits hanging over her shoulders and down her back. One of the plaits still bears traces of a rude ornament. The skin of the face is dried up and bears marks upon it as though it had

once been enveloped in a cloth. The arms are laid by the side, one knee is crossed over the other. On making a more careful inspection I ascertained that the appearance of the ends of the bones that this was a mummy of a female about fourteen years old. The eyes are staring wide open, the tongue adherent to the roof of the mouth. I do not know whether this Peruvian girl had been buried, or whether she had by accident fallen down into the nitre mine, or if the nitre had fallen down upon her from above and so caused her death. It is, of course, impossible to state the date of this mummy. I see that in the country adjacent the Pacific, Peru, saltpetre is abundant, and that great quantities are exported by English vessels. This mineral is not a nitrate of soda. Nitrate of soda was one of the substances used by the ancient Egyptian priests in making their mummies."

Quotations.

HONGKONG, February 7, 1879.

OPIUM.—New Patna, cash...		\$565
" credit...		—
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" credit...		—
" New Benares, cash...		635
" credit...		—
" Old Benares, cash...		—
" credit...		—
" New Malwa, cash...		800
" credit...		—
" Allowance, Teals...		8
" Old Malwa, cash...		805
" credit...		—
" Allowance, Teals...		8

Exchange.

Bank, Telegraphic...	3/6
" 30 days' sight...	3/7 1/2
" 6 months' sight...	3/7 1/2
Credits...	3/7 1/2
Documentary, 6 months' sight...	3/8
India, Telegraphic...	2/13 1/2
" demand...	2/13 1/2
Shanghai, demand...	7 1/2
" 90 days' sight...	7 1/2
Bar Silver, 17 dwts...	10 1/2
Sycee...	10 1/2
Mexican...	2 1/2
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine...	28
Sovereigns...	5.54

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 5 1/2 prem.	
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,600	
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500	
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 725	
Chinese Insurance Co., \$300	
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,300	
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$800	
China Fire Ins. Co., \$175	
H.K. & W. Dock Co., par.	
H.K. & C. M. S.-boat Co., par.	
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17	
China Coast S. Nav. Co., Tls. 102	
Hongkong Gas Co., \$85	
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65	
China Sugar Refining Co., \$140	
Chinese Imperial Loan, £108	
Do. of 1877, £108/10.	

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Watson & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, February 7, 1879.	
Barometer—9 A.M.	30.260
Do. 1 P.M.	30.260
Do. 4 P.M.	30.260
Thermometer—9 A.M.	63
Do. 1 P.M.	65
Do. 4 P.M.	65
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	58
Do. 1 P.M.	60
Do. 4 P.M.	60
Do. Minimum overnight	60

CARGOES.

Per American barque J. H. Ingersoll, Hongkong to New York, sailed 4th Feb.,



## Mails.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE,  
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT  
SAID, NAPLES, AND  
MARSILLES;  
ALSO  
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA  
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON SATURDAY, the 8th February,  
1879, at Noon, the Company's S. S.  
TIGRE, Commandant CHAMPELON,  
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPORE,  
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the  
above places.

Cargo and Spools will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the  
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m., Spools and Parcels until 3 p.m.  
on the 7th February, 1879. (Parcels are  
not to be sent on board; they must be left  
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

L. HENNEQUIN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 27, 1879. fe3



## STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE  
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,  
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-  
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-  
AMPTON, AND LONDON;  
VIA BOMBAY.

ALSO  
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND  
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship  
MALAYA, Captain F. S. TOMLIN, will leave  
this on SATURDAY, the 15th February,  
at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London will  
be conveyed direct Bombay without tranship-  
ment, arriving one week later than by the  
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be  
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at  
Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. fe15

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF  
PEKING will be despatched for San  
Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY,  
the 22nd February, at 3 p.m., taking  
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the  
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-  
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and  
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
and South America by the Company's and  
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to  
England, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through PASSAGES TO EUROPE,  
a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER  
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to  
OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY,  
and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and  
CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISS-  
ION.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m., of 21st February. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 6 p.m.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's  
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 28, 1879. fe22

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CENTRAL  
and  
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING  
RAILROAD COMPANIES.

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIC will be despatched  
for San Francisco via Yokohama,  
on or about the 15th day of March, 1879, at  
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for  
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of the 14th March. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-  
SAGE TICKETS.  
For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Queen's Road Central.  
G. H. SMYTH, Agent.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. m16

## Intimations.

## NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SEVENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL  
at the Rate of TWO TAELS per  
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of  
Record on the 8th January, Payable at the  
Office of the Liquidators, on WED-  
NESDAY, the 15th January.

Warrants will then be delivered by the  
Undersigned to, Shareholders, or their  
lawful representatives, on presentation of  
Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 15th  
January, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,

Liquidators.

Shanghai, January 4, 1879. fe3

Volume Seventh of the  
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 3.—Vol. VII.  
—OF THE—  
"CHINA REVIEW"

## CONTAINS—

Journal from the Book of Rites.  
Geographical Notes on the Province of  
Kiangsi.

Ethnological Sketches from the Dawn of  
History.

Coins of the "Ta-Tsing" Dynasty.  
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.  
The Ballads of the Shi-king.

Translations of Chinese School-books.  
Tonic and Vocal Modification in the  
Poonchow Dialect.

Legislation and Law in Ancient China.  
A Plea for "Fan-kwei."  
Short Notices of New Books and Literary  
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—  
Taxes on Industries in Canton.  
A Bit of Folk-lore about Candles,  
Lamps and Fire.

Legends on Chinese Porcelain.  
Tame Birds.  
To make a T'ai (Antithesis).  
"Respect This."

The Army of Kwangtung.  
Gutta Percha in China.  
Chinese Dialects.  
"Confucius Losing a Horse in the  
Desert."

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,

Hongkong, January 21, 1879.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or  
PAPERS will be thankfully received at  
the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

WASHING BOOKS.  
(In English and Chinese.)  
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use  
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now  
ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## Insurances.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on  
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of  
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.  
In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit,  
are distributed annually to Contributors  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premiums contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

General Agent,

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
AGENTS in Hongkong for the above-  
named Company, are prepared to Grant  
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and  
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the  
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-  
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable  
reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in  
China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1879.

## Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE

## COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire to the extent of  
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## BERLIN COLOGNE

## FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

## BERLIN.

Guarantee Funds of the  
Company's Reinsurers, M. 100,000,000  
Shareholders' Capital, 6,000,000  
Premiums and Interests, 5,167,643  
for 1877, 1,666,122  
Reserve, 1,666,122

Makes a Grand Total of... M. 112,823,763

Capital Insured end of 1877, M. 1,924,507,681

THE Undersigned having been Appoint-  
ed AGENTS GENERAL for the  
above Company, are prepared to grant  
Insurances to the extent of \$50,000 on  
First-class Risks at Current Rates.

GROSSMANN & Co.,

Agents General.

Hongkong, January, 1879. fe16

THE GUARDIAN FIRE AND LIFE  
ASSURANCE COMPANY,  
LONDON.

THE AGENCY of the above Company  
at this Port and at Poonchow, has  
this Day been Transferred to the Under-  
signed, who are prepared to accept Risks  
and grant Policies at Current Rates.

BIRLEY & Co.

Hongkong, January 11, 1879. fe11

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Saigon and Penang.  
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF  
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling  
of which is paid up £ 100,000  
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000  
Annual Income £ 250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Poonchow, Shanghai,  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 15, 1865.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared  
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the  
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Albat	5	F. Ashton	Brit. str.	366	Jan. 18	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
America	4	Graham	Brit. str.	1000	Jan. 17	Birley & Co.	.....	.....
Arratoon Apeur	5	Macfarlaih	Brit. str.	1392	Feb. 6	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Caloutia, &c.	.....
Bombay	1	.....	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	.....	.....
Brihane	5	Keddell	Brit. str.	691	Feb. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	.....
Charlton	5	Johnson	Brit. str.	786	Feb. 1	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Port Darwin	.....
Chickiang	5	.....	Amer. str.	799	Dec. 21	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
City of Peking	5	Henry	Amer. str.	5079	Feb. 2	P. M. S. Co.	Y'ham & San F'elco	Moils, 22nd
Dale	2	Thompson	Brit. str.	657	Jan. 29	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	10th inst.
Douglas	5	Young	Brit. str.	864	Feb. 6	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	9th, daylight
Emu	5	Blanco	Span. str.	222	Jan. 21	Remedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	Co'stan Dock
Fame	5	Stapani	Brit. str.	117	.....	R. K. & W'pon Dock Co.	.....	Tug Plying
Hakon Adelstein	5	Bergh	Norw. str.	904	Jan. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Saigon	13th inst.
Killarney	5	O'Neill	Brit. str.	1060	Jan. 3	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saigon	To-morrow
Lorne	5	McCulloch	Brit. str.	1034	Jan. 12	Melchers & Co.	S'pore and Penang	To-morrow
Malacca	5	Smith	Brit. str.	1709	Jan. 30	P. O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Moray	5	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	Feb. 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	.....
Ningpo	5	Cass	Brit. str.	761	Jan. 4	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Norna	3	.....	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong	.....	.....
Ocean	5	Edmondson	Brit. str.	971	Feb. 1	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports	K'loon Dock
Olympia	2	Nagel	Ger. str.	783	Feb. 2	Stemssen & Co.	Saigon	11th inst.
Pacific	1	Hernaheim	Ger. str.	69	Jan. 10	Stemssen & Co.	.....	.....
Penedo	5	Cain	Brit. str.	652	Feb. 6	Melchers & Co.	.....	.....
Perusia	5	McKirdy	Belg. str.	2297	Dec. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	.....	Ab'deen Dock
Sea Gull	8	.....	Amer. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray	.....	.....
Taiwan	5	Abbott	Brit. str.	409	Feb. 1	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy, &c.	.....
Tales	5	Thompson	Brit. str.	820	Jan. 9	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Thingvall	5	Olson	Dan. str.	1877	Feb. 1	M. & S. Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Tigre	5	Chancos	Fch. str.	2074	Feb. 4	Messageries Maritimes	Manille, &c.	To-morrow
Volga	5	Rolland	Fch. str.	1000	Feb. 6	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails
Zephyr	5	Beuer	Brit. str.	.....	.....	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
Sailing Vessels								
Abbey Cowper	5	Carr	Brit. bge.	699	Jan. 29	Moyer & Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier
Agata	5	Pike	Amer. bge.	620	Dec. 20	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Alden Besse	4	Noyes	Amer. bge.	850	Dec. 17	Rozario & Co.	Portland	.....
Alfredo	5	Pittaluga	Ital. bge.	909	Jan. 17	Borneo Co., Limited	.....	.....
Arabella	1	Pearson	Brit. bge.	665	Feb. 4	Master	.....	.....
Beethoven	5	Haje	Ger. bge.	340	Jan. 25	Melchers & Co.	.....	.....
Black Hawk	5	Osland	Amer. sh.	1126	Jan. 18	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	.....
Black Watch	4	Kenneth	Brit. bge.	491	Dec. 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Channel f.o.	.....
Bury St. Edmunds	5	Kodakjee	Dan. sh.	713	Jan. 25	Borneo Co., Limited	.....	.....
Channel Queen	4	Lacheur	Brit. sh.	609	Jan. 28	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....	.....
Charles Maureau	1	Fuatrown	Fch. bge.	369	Feb. 6	Landstein & Co.	.....	.....
Charmer	5	Lucas	Amer. sh.	1333	Jan. 8	Order	.....	.....
Christina	3	Capra	Nic. S. m. so.	173	Dec. 2	J. J. dos Remedios & Co.	.....	.....
Coeran	5	Bergh	Amer. sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	.....	.....
Coloma	4	Hall	Amer. bge.	853	Nov. 15	Russell & Co.	Portland or San F'co	.....
Commissary	7	Morison	Brit. sh.	900	Oct. 23	Meyer & Co.	.....	.....
Connaught Ranger	5	Murphy	Brit. sh.	1153	Dec. 3	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai	.....
Corea	4	Pearce	Brit. bge.	586	Jan. 9	Meyer & Co.	.....	Co'stan Dock
Corewell	5	White	Brit. bge.	494	Jan. 6	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Dolphin	2	Lilienthal	Ger. Sm. sh.	238	Feb. 3	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Doux Flores	5	Thansen	Fch. bge.	567	Feb. 3	Messageries Maritimes	.....	.....
Echo	5	Tobler	Ger. bge.	442	Feb. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Chefoo	.....
Elizabeth	4	Ohler	Ger. bge.	442	Feb. 5	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Elizabeth Nicholson	5	Grierson	Brit. sh.	904	Oct. 17	Borneo Co., Limited	Swatow	Cleared
Esperance	5	Guillon	Fch. bge.	272	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.	.....	.....
Eve	5	Merceron	Fch. bge.	327	Jan. 28	Meyer & Co.	.....	.....
Fanny	4	Gouzon	Fch. bge.	314	Nov. 9	Landstein & Co.	Saigon	Cleared
Fleeting	3	Guest	Amer. sh.	829	Oct. 17	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Fontenaye	4	Taylor	Brit. sh.	635	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Callao	.....
Formosa	4	Schwever	Ger. bge.	282	Feb. 6	Melchers & Co.	.....	.....
Forward	2	Vandevord	Brit. bge.	744	Dec. 17	Rozario & Co.	.....	.....
Hall Columbia	4	Bereton	Amer. sch.	353	Nov. 19	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Penang	.....
Hansa	5	Denenen	Ger. bge.	499	Feb. 4	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Hattie N. Bangs	4	Bangs	Am. Sm. so.	566	Dec. 1	Captain	.....	.....
Hazelhurst	5	Goudey	Brit. bge.	877	Jan. 18	Vogel & Co.	New York	.....
Helen	2	Snow	Amer. bge.	609	Jan. 1	Russell & Co.	Victoria (V. I.)	.....
Herbert Black	4	Treat	Amer. bge.	573	Jan. 2	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	.....
Highlander	4	Hutthinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.	.....	.....
Holstein	5	Kilper	Ger. Sm. sh.	281	Jan. 10	Vogel & Co.	Hamburg	K'loon Dock
Hylton Castle	2	Scott	Brit. bge.	547	Feb. 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	.....
Invincible	4	Strickland	Amer. sh.	1450	Dec. 6	Wieler & Co.	Callao	.....
Irene	7	Yates	Amer. sch.	481	Jan. 13	Meyer & Co.	.....	Sands' Slip
Kirkland	5	Colledge	Brit. bge.	453	Jan. 24	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Kvik	7	Larsen	Norw. bge.	417	Dec. 14	Stemssen & Co.	Australia	.....
Lota	5	Dudfield	Brit. bge.	472	Jan. 13	Order	.....	.....
Louisa	3	Shierlich	Ger. Sm. so.	245	Oct. 17	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Haiphong	.....
Maria Louisa	5	Frederick	Ger. bge.	543	Jan. 20	Wieler & Co.	.....	Ab'deen Dock
Margie of Argyll	5	MacKen	Brit. bge.	500	Dec. 24	Rozario & Co.	.....	.....
Melbess	4	Dawes	Amer. sh.	1165	Nov. 10	Russell & Co.	Portland or San F'co	.....
Mignon	3	Soule	Am. Sm. so.	484	Jan. 1	Vogel & Co.	Honolulu	.....
Morning Star	1	Michaelson	Slam. bge.	507	Dec. 10	Ohuesu	.....	.....
Northern Star	2	Wortley	Brit. bge.	327	Jan. 30	Wieler & Co.	.....	.....
Onward	4	Boyen	Brit. sch.	200	Dec. 27	Lane, Crawford & Co.	.....	.....
Pallas	5	Balibr	Ger. bge.	421	Feb. 2	Lane, Crawford & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Pilgrim	5	Fowle	Amer. sh.	956	Jan. 15	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
P. Fitzpatrick	4	Phelan	Amer. bge.	580	Jan. 13	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	.....	.....
Prince Arthur	3	Wills	Brit. bge.	296	Dec. 14	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Chefoo	.....
Rosetta McNeill	4	Brown	Amer. bge.	611	Dec. 10	Vogel & Co.	San Francisco	.....
San Lorenzo	3	Vidarte	Span. sch.	250	Feb. 7	Remedios & Co.	.....	.....
Silver Eagle	4	Richard	Brit. bge.	908	Jan. 1	Adamson, Bell & Co.	.....	.....
Staut	5	Aechehong	Norw. bge.	581	Jan. 5	Meyer & Co.	.....	Wanchai Pier
Stillman B. Allen	7	Taylor	Amer. bge.	588	Jan. 26	Meyer & Co.	.....	.....
Stonewall Jackson	4	Bartlett	Amer. bge.	1102	Dec. 30	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	.....
Stracthro	3	Miller	Brit. bge.	1150	Dec. 17	Russell & Co.	Singapore	.....
Strathmore	4	Hemsworth	Brit. bge.	600	Dec. 21	Captain	.....	.....
Sumarilde	4	Tobiasen	Norw. sh.	943	Jan. 9	Vogel & Co.	London	.....
Sumatra	3	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
Sydenham	1	Miller	Brit. sh.	1063	Jan. 5	Vogel & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Theresa and Nelly	1	Gareau	Fch. bge.	358	Nov. 16	Carlowitz & Co.	Yokohama	.....
Thos. A. Goddard	4	Smith	Amer. bge.	652	Jan. 20	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	.....	.....
Vicenta	5	Tremoya	Span. bge.	515	Jan. 24	Remedios & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Wm. Phillips	5	Healy	Amer. sch.	592	Jan. 13	Captain	.....	.....
WHAMPOA								
Corduan	5	Bertaud	Fch. bge.	459	Feb. 4	Carlowitz & Co.	Yientsin	.....
Helene	5	Volguardsen	Ger. bge.	372	Jan. 18	Wieler & Co.	Yient-in	.....
Pacific Slope	5	Tank	Brit. bge.	790	Jan. 19	Russell & Co.	.....	.....
CANTON								
Amoy	5	Drowes	Brit. str.	814	Feb. 6	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai	.....